BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 96-351-W - ORDER NO. 97-304 APRIL 11, 1997

IN RE: Application of Rural Water, Inc. for) ORDER
Approval to Transfer Water Systems) DENYING
(Lakeland Village, McCombs, Windemere) REQUEST FOR and Woodlawn) to Greenwood Commission) WAIVER of Public Works.

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Rural Water, Inc. for approval to transfer certain water systems owned by it to the Greenwood Commission of Public Works. After noticing the matter, it came to the Staff's attention that a tap fee would be required from each customer on transfer. This was not noticed prior to the noticing of the customers in this Docket. Therefore, Staff asks that the Commission deny the request for waiver of a hearing, and approval of a transfer in this matter, until such time as Staff has the opportunity to renotice the matter.

The Commission has examined this matter, and agrees that since the tap fee has now become known, that the matter should be renoticed prior to any other action by this Commission.

Therefore, the request for waiver of hearing is denied, as is approval of the transfer until further consideration by the Commission after renoticing.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

(SEAL)